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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Riverside – Woman Indicted on COVID Relief Fraud Charges

(U) A San Bernardino County woman was arrested yesterday on a seven-count federal grand jury indictment alleging she fraudulently obtained more than \$500,000 in pandemic-related unemployment insurance (UI) benefits by using the names of inmates locked up the California state prison system. Cynthia Ann Hernandez, 32 of Victorville, was taken into custody and is expected to appear for her arraignment today in United States District Court in Riverside. According to the indictment returned on September 9, from June 2020 to August 2020, Hernandez filed with the California Employment Development Department (EDD) fraudulent applications for UI benefits in the names of persons incarcerated in the California state prison system. EDD manages California's unemployment insurance benefit program.

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [US DoJ](#)

(U) Sacramento – False Active Shooter Reports in California Spur Investigations

(U) Police were investigating a string of reports of active shooters or threats to several California schools yesterday, but the calls were quickly determined to be hoaxes and students are safe, authorities said. Law enforcement sources said that while investigations are continuing, the FBI has gathered information that shows a possible link between a dozen false reports at schools across California and Texas in recent days. In the state yesterday, there were reports of shootings, lockdowns or evacuations at Lancaster High School in the Antelope Valley, Mater Dei Catholic High School in Chula Vista, Gibson Elementary and Bullard High School in Fresno and Santa Rosa High School. The hoaxes were all similar: A single person called 911 and made reports of an active shooter and, in some cases, people injured. The calls led to lockdowns and evacuations, spreading fear among students, parents and teachers, before police were able to search the campuses.

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [Los Angeles Times](#)

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) California – Former Soccer Player Charged with Smuggling Women into the United States

(U) Otay Mesa - Raúl Enríquez Arámbula, the all-time leading scorer for the Club Tijuana Xoloitzcuintles soccer team, was arrested Sunday for allegedly trying to smuggle two undocumented immigrants hiding in his vehicle through the Otay Mesa border crossing. Enríquez, 37, was charged with one count related to immigrant smuggling. Both women also told investigators they had made the smuggling arrangements with people they did not know and had agreed to pay between \$15,000 and \$18,500 once they were successfully brought into the country, according to the probable cause statement.

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [San Diego Union Tribune](#)

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(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – US Charges Three Iranians for Hacking/Extortion Scheme

(U) Washington – Three Iranian nationals carried out a scheme to hack hundreds of organizations in the US and around the world, the US Justice Department alleges. The alleged victim organizations ranged from a domestic violence shelter in Pennsylvania, a power company in Mississippi and a municipality in Union County, New Jersey. The indictment does not accuse the Iranians of carrying out those particular hacks on behalf of the Iranian government. However, the US Treasury Department accused the men of working for IT firms that are affiliated with the Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [CNN](#)

(U) Wisconsin – Four People Shot, One with Life-Threatening Injuries

(U) Milwaukee – Four people were injured, one of them gravely, following an overnight quadruple shooting yesterday morning near the popular Brady Street bar district. A 28-year-old man suffered life-threatening injuries, police said, and is in grave condition. The other victims are stable and expected to survive. The circumstances surrounding the shooting are under investigation and police are seeking an unknown suspect. Shootings and homicides have continued at elevated paces this year in Milwaukee. Police have reported 158 homicides as of Tuesday, up from 129 during a record-breaking 2021.

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [JS Online](#)

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Pakistan – Authorities Stop Terrorist Attack, Arrests Two

(U) Sahiwal – Counter Terrorism Department (CTD) foils a major terror bid and arrested two terrorists of a banned organization during an operation in Sahiwal on Tuesday. According to a CTD spokesperson, the arrested terrorists have been identified as Muneeb Anwar and Usama Bin Umar who were planning to carry out terrorist activities in the city. The CTD spokesperson also informed that the arrested terrorists are members of Tehreek-e-Taliban Pakistan and residents of Mianwali. The CTD personnel also recovered arms, explosive material, batteries, and other material from them. The arrested terrorists were later shifted to some undisclosed location for further investigation.

SOURCE: 14 September 2022, [Dunya News](#)

(U) Saudi Arabia – Authorities Arrest 146 Drug Smugglers in Major Security Operation

(U) Riyadh – Saudi authorities have arrested 146 smugglers, including 19 citizens, in a major security operation that foiled an attempt to illegally bring into Kingdom more than 48.6 tons of khat, 1.5 tons of hashish and 634,000 amphetamine tablets. The remaining suspects were 87 Yemeni nationals, 32 Ethiopians, three Somali nationals, two Iraqis, two Egyptians and a Pakistani, the Saudi Press Agency (SPA) reported on Wednesday.

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